



**University of North Texas System  
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## University of North Texas System



The UNT System includes University of North Texas in Denton, University of North Texas Health Science Center in Fort Worth and University of North Texas at Dallas



**UNT**



**UNT HEALTH  
SCIENCE CENTER**



**UNT DALLAS**  
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS AT DALLAS



- The only system based in the robust North Texas region
- Combined enrollment of nearly 44,000 across three campuses
- Awards 9,000 degrees each year
- Boosts the Texas economy by \$5.2 billion, annually

## UNT



- Record Enrollment of 38,121
- 221 Degree Programs
- Carnegie Tier 1 Research University
- 68 academic programs ranked in the top 100, nationally
- 274,000 UNT alumni live in the DFW area
- More than 700 UNT alumni are CEOs or Presidents and more than 10,000 hold executive titles

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## UNT Health Science Center



- Enrollment of 2,288
- Graduate academic medical center in Fort Worth's cultural district
- Since 2002, *U.S. News and World Report* has called UNTHSC's Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine one of the nation's top 50 medical primary care schools
- Research funding: \$47 million/year
- Areas of strength include Primary Care, Alzheimer's research, eye diseases, forensic genetics, interprofessional education

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## UNT Dallas



- Enrollment has increased 40% in just two years to a record 3,513 students
- Diverse student population is 40% Hispanic and 35% African American
- Community-focused university engages with local neighborhoods, police, schools and policy-makers
- Innovative school of education is focused on developing a bilingual teacher pipeline to fulfill a shortage of qualified candidates in DFW area schools
- Located in Downtown Dallas, UNT Dallas College of Law graduated its first class and earned provisional accreditation from the American Bar Association in 2017

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## Booming North Texas Region



### DFW Region accolades:

- *No. 1 Job Market in the United States – Forbes*
- *Top 10 Job Market for recent college graduates – LinkedIn*
- *20% Employment Growth in the last five years – Dallas Business Journal*
- *No. 2 Fastest-Growing region in the United States – U.S. Census Bureau*
- *Top Creative Industries Economy in Texas – Economics Research Group*

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## Growing with Region and State



	2000	2016
SYSTEM-WIDE ENROLLMENT	27,769	43,375
DEGREES AWARDED	4,933	9,857
4-YEAR GRADUATION RATE	13%	32%
5-YEAR GRADUATION RATE	36%	52%
6-YEAR GRADUATION RATE	36%	58%
ANNUAL RESEARCH EXPENDITURES	\$28,476,235*	\$ 67,417,014

\* Note: FY 2001 Data



*Over the past 15 years, the UNT System has added a new university, engineering school, pharmacy school, law school, a developing MD school and nearly 4 million square feet of classroom, research and residential space in order to meet the needs of its growing region.*



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## UNTS contributions to 60x30 Plan



**EDUCATED POPULATION AND MORE CREDENTIALS:** System-wide enrollment at all-time high of 43,922 for Fall 2017 semester.

**COMPLETION:** UNT's 6-Year graduation rate rose from 36% to 58% in the last 15 years, and, system-wide, the number of degrees awarded annually nearly doubled.

**MARKETABLE SKILLS:** All UNTS institutions include goals for students to gain career-related experience as part of their strategic plans. UNT's "Career Connect" program is designed to help students develop and identify marketable job skills.

**DEBT:** The average student loan debt at both UNT and UNT Dallas is less than \$22,000, and UNT Dallas ranked No. 2 nationally for lowest student debt among public universities in a study using Peterson's College Data.

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## UNT System Strategic Plan



### Strategic Priorities:

- Grow enrollment and degrees awarded to serve growing region
- More top 100 programs
- Inclusiveness and diversity
- Effective and efficient System
- Become a “Best Place to Work”
- Commitment to grow research in alignment with state goals